

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port, under the Style or Firm, WEST POINT IRON WORKS, ENGINEERS AND BOILERMAKERS, BY WILLIAM DUNPHY & Co., Late Manager of the Novelty Iron Works, Hongkong.

Wm. DUNPHY.
Hongkong, December 10, 1877. jal

NOTICE.

M. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY was admitted a PARTNER in our Firm on the 1st July, 1877.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port as a GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

J. V. VERNON SHAW.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877. myl

NOTICE.

THE Business of SHARE and GENERAL BROKER, hitherto conducted in my name, will now be carried on under the Style of COHEN & HEATON. Mr. ALEXANDER MACGLASHAN HEATON having This Day become a PARTNER therein.

CHAS. C. COHEN.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877. jal

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day admitted Mr. WILLIAM LEGGIE as a PARTNER in my Business, which will henceforth be conducted under the Style of HUGHES & LEGGIE.

W. KERFOOT HUGHES.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877. jal

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES ANTON MANN is authorized to Sign our Firm by Procuration.

GEPP & Co.
Canton, November 1, 1877. jal

Intimations.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 20th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, December 12, 1877. jal

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 27th instant, both days inclusive.

A. NEWTON, Manager.
Hongkong, December 1, 1877. de28

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of the HONGKONG HOTEL, the present five-yearly lease expiring on the 31st August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to be sent in on or before the 21st March, 1878, to the Secretary of the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, who will supply any information required.

By Order of the Directors, LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, September 15, 1877. apl

KWONG HING CHEUNG & Co., COAL MERCHANTS.

Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices. Mr. ANTON has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at 57, Praya, or to Mr. FAT JAO, at 30, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate attention.

Hongkong, March 19, 1877. mol9

THE BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1869.

In H. M. PROVINCIAL COURT at AMOY. In the matter of proceedings for Liquidation by arrangement or composition with Creditors, instituted by JOHN DODD and CRAWFORD DAVISON KERR, trading under the Style of DODD & Co., at AMOY and TAMEI.

NOTICE is hereby given that a First MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above-named Persons has been summoned to be Held at Messrs DODD & Co.'s Office, Amoy, on the 29th day of December instant, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon precisely.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1877.

JOHN DODD, CRAWFORD D. KERR, by their Attorneys, J. DODD.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 79.

CHINA SEA.

YANZHEN RIVER—SHANGHAI DISTRICT. Temporary Withdrawal of the "Tungsha" Light-ship.

NOTICE is hereby given that on or about the 1st JANUARY next, the "Tungsha" Light-ship will be REMOVED from her Station for REPAIRS. As soon as Repaired she will Return to her old moorings.

Temporary Light-ship. During the withdrawal of the "Tungsha" a fixed white light, visible in clear weather about 8 miles, will be exhibited from a Light-ship made fast to the "Tungsha's" moorings.

In foggy weather a gong will be sounded at one minute intervals. The hull is painted red, and the ball on the mast is 9 feet in diameter and painted black.

By order of the Inspector General of Customs, DAVID M. HENDERSON, Engineer-in-Chief.

Imperial Maritime Customs, Shanghai, December 14, 1877. de27

Intimations.

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS, AND JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS. 46, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, August 20, 1877. to20

NOTICE.

THE Attention of Shippers and others interested in trade to Peru is called to the following clauses of the Supreme Decree of the President of the Republic of Peru, dated Lima, 4th April, 1877.

Art. 1. Merchandise shipped to the ports of Peru must be accompanied by Invoices (in Spanish) certified to by the Peruvian Consul at the port of shipment in accordance with Art. 188 of the Consular Regulations.

Art. 2. Merchandise when shipped via one or more foreign ports for a port in Peru must be accompanied by a special manifest (in Spanish) in addition to the Invoice certified to by the Peruvian Consul in accordance with Art. 187 of Consular Regulations.

Art. 3. Merchandise for which no certified invoice is presented, as required by Articles 188 and 197 of the Consular Regulations, and Art. 1 of this decree, will be subject to a surcharge of 25 per cent of the duty upon it as determined by the tariff. Merchandise entitled to enter free of duty will be taxed 25 per cent on its total value.

Art. 4. The Master of any vessel who enters a port of Peru without the documents of his vessel being duly certified to by the Consul for the Republic at the port from whence he cleared, in conformity with Articles 187 and 201 of the Consular Regulations, will be liable to a fine of from \$100 to \$1000 according to the importance of the case, and the judgment of the Commissioners of Customs, without prejudice to the spirit of Article 28 of the Code of Commerce.

H. SEYMOUR GEARY, Consul for Peru.

IN THE GOODS OF JAMES SMITH FERRIES, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other Persons, having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of JAMES SMITH FERRIES, late Master of the S.S. "ZEPHYRUS," who died at Sea on Board the said Vessel, on the 8th day of February 1877, and whose Will was duly proved, and Letters of Administration, with the Will annexed, of whose personal Estate were duly granted to JOHN FAIRBAIRN, of No. 27 Queen's Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, by the Supreme Court of Hongkong, in its Probate Jurisdiction, on the 22nd day of September 1877, are hereby required to send in writing the particulars of their Claims or Demands to the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN, at his address aforesaid, or to the Under-Signed WILLIAM HENRY BREBTON, the Solicitor of the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN, at the Office of the said WILLIAM HENRY BREBTON, 29 Queen's Road, Hongkong, on or before the 15th day of January, 1878.

And notice is hereby given that at the expiration of the last-mentioned day, the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said JAMES SMITH FERRIES amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the Claims of which the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN has then had notice; and that the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN will not be liable for the Assets or any part thereof, so distributed, to any person of whose Claim the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN has not had notice at the time of the distribution.

Dated this 3rd day of October, 1877.

Wm. H. BREBTON, Solicitor for the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN.

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To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

ANY CLAIMS against the German bark "FERDINAND BRUMM" must be sent in to the Under-Signed before Noon of WEDNESDAY, the 28th instant, or they will not be recognized.

MELOHRS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 24, 1877. de26

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ALPHINGTON, British bark, Captain G. Cunningham.—Wilder & Co.
CLYDEBANK, British ship, Captain E. Shrewsbury.—Wilder & Co.
COLORADO, American ship, Captain Ingraham.—Russell & Co.

KATH GARDNER, British bark, Captain James Wilson.—Melchers & Co.
BROOMALL, British ship, Captain H. Bala.—Russell & Co.
CHARLES OAK, American ship, Captain Staples.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FORMOSA, German bark, schooner, Capt. Schwen.—Melchers & Co.
ANNIE S. HALL, American bark, Capt. Chas. H. Nelson.—Capt. W. Reynolds.—Order.
JUGOSKI, German bark, Capt. W. Winden.—Stemmen & Co.

SIR JAMES FAMILI, British ship, Capt. C. Cobb.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
GLENNVIEW, British bark, Capt. Lang.—Chinese.
VESTA, German bark, Capt. R. Dirks.—Melchers & Co.
FARRER, British steamer, Captain W. Sergeant.—Melchers & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 22, Antipodes, British bark, 592, H. Wyeth, Chief, Dec. 10, Beana.—ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Dec. 23, Salisbury, British ship, 1075, Case, Sydney, Nov. 1, Coal.—OADA.

Dec. 23, Marion, Amer. 3-m. schooner, 266, R. Howe, Amoy Dec. 19, Ballast.—ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Dec. 23, Wintshire, British steamer, 1945, T. Thomas, Singapore Nov. 29, General.—H. KLEN & Co.

Dec. 23, Falcon, British bark, 788, D. Barry, London, 3, General.—ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Dec. 23, Conquest, British steamer, 317, Hamlin, Hongkong Dec. 19, Rice.—KWONG LEE YUEN.

Dec. 23, Oriole, British steamer, 1,823, J. K. Webster, Shanghai via Amoy Dec. 23, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Dec. 24, Tiber, French steamer, 1009, de Girard, Yokohama Dec. 18, Mails and General.—MESSAGIERIE MARITIME.

Dec. 24, Djinnah, French steamer, 2416, Champerla, Shanghai Dec. 21, Mails and General.—MESSAGIERIE MARITIME.

Dec. 24, Parise, British steamer, 1015, W. Sergeant, Kobe Dec. 17, Rice.—MELOHRS & Co.

Dec. 24, Nelson, British steamer, 894, Staples, Amoy Dec. 22, Ballast.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Dec. 24, Radnorshire, British steamer, 1901, R. Thomson, Shanghai Dec. 20, General.—H. KLEN & Co.

Dec. 24, G. H. Wuppura, German ship, 538, V. R. Deschamps, Shanghai Dec. 19, Rice and Cotton.—CANTOWITZ & Co.

Dec. 24, Cheung Hoek Kien, British steamer, 956, Fred. Webb, Penang Dec. 12, and Singapore 18, General.—MAN HING CHAN.

Dec. 24, City of Halifax, British ship, 860, John Evans, Cardiff June 19, Coal.—MYER & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 23, Nanao, for Coast Ports.

Dec. 23, Peiho, for Quinhon.

Dec. 23, Fung-shun, for Shanghai.

Dec. 23, Toing Tsing, Ch. g. s., for Canton.

Dec. 23, Kronprinzessin, for Whampoa.

Dec. 24, Cuba, for Keelung.

Dec. 24, Kail, for Macao.

Dec. 24, Isles of the South, for New York.

CLEARED.

Elise, for Hongkong.

PASSENGERS.

Per Tiber, from Yokohama: for Hongkong, Messrs Jourdan and Meyer, and 1 Chinese; for Batavia, Mr. Durand; for Marcellus, Mr. and Mrs. Milnes and child; Messrs Suwe Hidaupuro, Kub Hnomitoh, Masaki Nitoku, Otsuka Takudo, Asada, Tanaka, Chimitau, Chibata Yukietschi, Onaki Kikudji, Nabeshima, Clausen, and Osterner.

Per Djinnah, from Shanghai: for Hongkong, Messrs Wilford, W. K. Hughes, Lind, Phillips, Ritchie, and 6 Chinese; for Galle, Mr. Kwald; for Naples, Mr. and Mrs. Romanoff; for Marcellus, Mr. and Mrs. Loviet, Messrs Pinell, Samson, and Vidan.

Per Wintshire, from Singapore, Professor Thurn, Mr. Mawani, and 2 European deck.

Per Parise, from Shanghai via Amoy, 1 European and 86 Chinese.

Per Radnorshire, from Shanghai, 4 Chinese.

Per G. H. Wuppura, from Shanghai, 1 Chinese.

Per Cheung Hoek Kien, from Penang and Singapore, 354 Chinese.

Per Fung-shun, for Shanghai, 80 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The American 3-m. schooner Marion reports: First part strong N.W. wind, latter part strong Northerly wind.

The British steamer Cheung Hoek Kien reports: Strong N.E. monsoon and heavy sea with cloudy weather during the passage.

The British ship City of Halifax reports: Light winds and very fine weather all the passage until Friday last (22nd inst.) Had a very heavy gale from the N.W. and tremendous sea, lost a whole out of sails and washed in main hatch. Wind yesterday fell from the N.W. and very high cross sea.

CARGOES.

Per S. S. Gordon, Hongkong to London, sailed 18th December, 1877.—125,209 lbs. Cargo, 97,971 lbs. St. Cape, and 89,509 lbs. St. Orkney.—Total 302,690

lbs. 400 pkgs. Matting, 25 pkgs. Waste Silk, 17 pkgs. Silk Piece Goods, and 370 pkgs. Sundries.
Per S. S. City of Tokio, sailed December 22nd, 1877.—For Yokohama, 176 bags Sugar, 100 bags Flour, 50 bags Saltpetre, 945 bales Cotton Yarn, 800 bundles Nall-rod Iron, 83 bundles Copper Sheets, 100 bales Tea Mats, 40 pkgs. Cordage, 80 cases Castor Oil, 80 bundles Rattan, 57 pkgs. Zinc, 19 pkgs. Tin, 12 pkgs. Gunny Bags, 40 bales Quicksilver, 35 pkgs. Yellow Metal, and 528 pkgs. Sundries.
For Nagasaki, 8 cases Rum; For San Francisco, 24,528 bags Rice, 205 bags Sugar, 112 Empty Quicksilver Flasks, 81 pkgs. Mod-dine, 80 boxes Oil, 4 Merchandise, 89 boxes Opium, 4 bales R. Silk, 175 pkgs. Tea (3,100 lbs.), 922 pkgs. Sundries. For New York, 30 bales Raw Silk, 13 cases Silk Piece Goods, 8 half-chests Tea (444 lbs.), 7 pkgs. Merchandise. For Boston, 4 cases Lard. For Chicago, 247 pkgs. Tea (13,758 lbs.). For Panama, 400 bags Rice, 20 pkgs. Tea, 6 pkgs. Silks, 8 pkgs. Crude Opium, and 219 pkgs. Sundries. For Victoria, 6 pkgs. Opium, 50 bags Sugar, and 2 pkgs. Merchandise.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW.—

Per NORA, at 7.30 a.m. on Wednesday, the 28th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For AMOY.—

Per ESMEERALDA, at 11.30 a.m. on Wednesday, the 28th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS & LONDON.—

Per ORESTES, at 3.30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 28th inst.

For COOKTOWN AND SYDNEY.—

Per OCEAN, at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday, the 27th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—

Per ATALANTA, on Thursday, the 27th inst., at 1.30 p.m.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet DJENNAH will be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 27th inst., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Mauritius, to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suva, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—

The English Contract Packet FREERAN will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 27th inst.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—

The United States Mail Packet CALZIO will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 4th January, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2 p.m. Registry of Letters closes.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Miscellaneous.

Bank Holiday.

MEMOS. FOR WEDNESDAY.

Miscellaneous.

Bank Holiday.

Claims against the Ferdinand Brumm must be sent in to the Agents before Noon.

Shipping.

Noon.—Esmeralda leaves for Amoy.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Established A.D. 1841.

香港大藥房

A. S. WATSON & Co.,

FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,

OR

DRUGGISTS' SUPPLIES, NURSERY REQUISITES, TOILET REQUISITES, ENGLISH, AMERICAN, AND FRENCH PATENT MEDICINES.

MANUFACTURERS

OF

Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water, Gingerale, Potass Water, Sarsaparilla Water, and other Aerated Waters.

The Manufactory is under direct and continuous European Supervision.

Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.15 p.m.

MARRIAGE.

INSURANCES

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YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSO-
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 (INCORPORATED IN CHINA.)

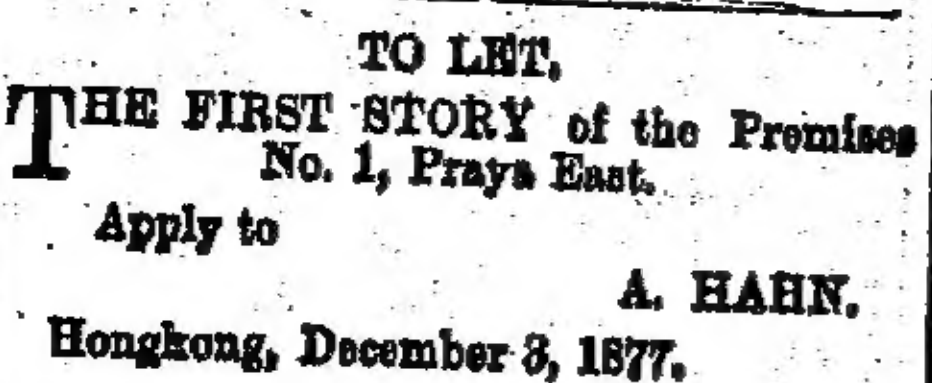
CAPITAL—Fully Paid-up.....	Tls. 420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE.....	" 230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....	" 75,000
Total Capital and accumula-	
tions this date.....	Tls. 725,000

Directors:
F. B. FORMES, Esq., *Chairman.*
M. W. ROYD, Esq. | C. KERN, Esq.
M. F. EVANS, Esq. | C. LUCAS, Esq.

Secretaries:
Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Shanghai.
London Bankers:
Messrs. Baring Brothers & Co.
Agencies in:
HONGKONG, LONDON, SAN FRANCISCO, and
the Principal Ports in the East.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the World, at current rates.

Subject to a charge of 12 % for interest on Shareholders' Capital, **ALL THE PROFITS OF THE UNDERWRITING BUSINESS** will be annually distributed among all Contributors of Business in proportion to the premium paid by them.



TO LET,
THE Dwelling Houses and Offices No. 1,
D'Algar Street, lately in the occupa-
tion of Messrs DOUGLAS LA PRAIR & Co.
The Dwelling House No. 10, Gough
Street.
The Bungalow No. 17, Wellington Street.
Apply to
DOUGLAS LA PRAIR & Co.
Hongkong, December 4, 1877.

THE S. S. "ÆOLIC" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on **FRIDAY**, the 4th January, 1878, at 5 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 3rd January, 1878. **PARCEL PACKAGES** will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A **REDUCTION** is made on **RETURN** **PASSENGER TICKETS**.

For further information as to Freight & Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

and to
L. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS
OF RUSSIA

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the
amount of £10,000 on any Building, or
Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, Jan. 4, 1887.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are pleased to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department:

Policies at current rates payable either in London or at the principal Ports India, China and Australia;

**MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER
AND LONDON.**

His Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Birmingham, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai,
Hankow, and are prepared to grant
finances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WINE & CO.

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Vessel's Name.	Dispos- ed.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Africa	C. D.	Portug.	transport	800			Dec. 18	F. Marques
Anderson	C. D.	British	iron-clad (flag-ship)	8034	14	800	Dec. 10	F. Durrant
Alc-guang	C. D.	Chinese	corvette	700		180	Dec. 12	Low Bush
Comoro	C. D.	French	man-of-war			100	Dec. 17	Dumas-Veale
Outlew	C. D.	British	gun vessel	774	8	300	Dec. 15	R. F. Church
Egaria	C. D.	British	steam sloop	794	4	600	Nov. 18	R. F. Douglas
Fly	C. D.	British	gun vessel	484	4	180	Nov. 80	John Rogers
Gravies	C. D.	British	gun vessel	484	4	180	Dec. 19	C. E. D. Wilcox
Lapring	C. D.	British	gun vessel	774	8	180	Dec. 9	Sir W. Wismar
Moconao	C. D.	British	military hospital	2681				
Monosay	C. D.	American	corvette	800				
Nassau	C. D.	British	surveying vessel	877			Dec. 19	G. W. Sumner
Nautile	C. D.	German	gun vessel	800	4	250	Dec. 6	R. H. Napier
Seranger	C. D.	British	gun vessel	408	2	60	Dec. 11	Valois
Tacote	C. D.	British	troopship	2087			Nov. 80	O. F. Tudor
Victor Canard	C. D.	British	Commodore's flag-ship	3087	14		Dec. 30	J. S. Browning
Vigilant	C. D.	British	despatch vessel.	856	2	250	Oct. 30	Commodore Watson